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Steel From The East May Soon Be At The Water's Edge

Rumor Of Temporary Track To Be Laid From Westerham To Water's Edge. Will Be In Use Until Grading Is Completed Between Westerham and Reno

WOULD START WORK ON BRIDGE AT ONCE

Temporary Track Should Lessen Cost Of Freightling. Will Make A Government Ferry On The Saskatchewan River A Necessity

The following news came to this office from a fairly reliable source. Since receiving it however, the laying of a temporary track has been denied so strongly that we are forced to credit that part to rumor and publish the foregoing as we received it.

On Saturday, June 7th, the steel gang reached Prussia. Prussia is about twenty-one miles east of Empress. The grade from Prussia is completed to Westerham. After Westerham there is some very heavy grade work to do between there and Reno. Westerham lies about fourteen miles east of Empress and the steel is expected to reach there by about Monday.

In order that no time may be lost in starting work upon the bridge across the Saskatchewan River as soon as possible, which will be constructed at the junction of the Red Deer and Saskatchewan Rivers, the C.P.R. has run a survey overland from Westerham for the laying of a temporary track to the water's edge. This track will be used by the C.P.R. until the grade is completed between Westerham and Reno.

How much this should benefit residents here and in the surrounding districts is hard to estimate, excessive freightage is the greatest burden to us who are resident here at present, and it seems that the laying of this track should tend to lighten this load, as no doubt if construction material is going to be shipped in by the C.P.R. this way they will also allow the use of the track for freightling as well.

A Government ferry across

LEALAND LISPINGS

Dave Mac made a trip to Medicine Hat last Thursday.

Messrs. Carter and McKenzie paid a visit to Alaskan the latter end of last week.

The Midgets are due to play a ball game with Range 4 tomorrow. A dance will be held in the evening. Game will be played on sec. 20, 21, 4.

A Surprise Party was held at Mr. N. McNell's place on Thursday of last week, a very enjoyable time being spent by all present. A good many of the ladies put in an appearance. The party numbered thirty in all.

A building bee was held last Thursday evening at the home of Mr. E. B. Judd, who had the unfortunate to have his house blown over in a recent storm. A dance took place later in the

the Saskatchewan River has been a much felt want by the citizens and settlers in the district around. Under these circumstances it becomes a necessity. No stone should be left unturned to secure one as speedily as possible.

JULY 1st CELEBRATION

Sports Committee Choose Site For Grounds Track To Be Surveyed

Grounds for the holding of the 1st of July Celebration have been decided on by the Sports Committee. A good location on the flat north of the town, the site that has been decided on. Mr. C. D. Brown, who is in town on business, has generously offered to survey an half mile track for the purpose of the races on the 1st. It is also proposed to build a grand stand which will furnish seating accommodation for two hundred persons or more. Arrangements will also be made for the supplying of food for horses and every arrangement possible made for the convenience of the general public.

Waited Ten Days on Land Office Steps

Mr. A. McKay, who was in town on Saturday last was a successful applicant at the Medicine Hat Land Office for a homestead and pre-emption on 16, 21, 5. Mr. McKay said that in order to secure this land he waited a matter of ten days on the steps of the land titles office. Many other applicants arrived in due course to file on the same land.

evening, and a very enjoyable time was spent. About twenty persons were present. Refreshments were provided.

New Western Railway

The railway committee of the commons, at Ottawa, on May 27, approved a bill to incorporate a new western railway to be known as the Canadian Northwestern Railway Company. The capitalization of the company is \$15,000,000. The road proposes to run from Winnipeg to Manitoba, thence through Southern Manitoba and Saskatchewan to Lethbridge. The road then strikes northeast to North Battleford, across to Prince Albert to Le Pas, thence south through Dauphin to Brandon, across again to Manitoba and to Dominion City. The line proposed thence goes north-easterly to Glenora and Altona and back to Winnipeg.

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An Edmonton Romance

Five years ago, William Bercoff left the little English village of Huddleigh in Essex, it being understood that as soon as he had made a position for himself he should write home or his intended bride to join him. In the bustle of Western life Bercoff neglected to write for some considerable time, and when he did finally communi-

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cate his letter was returned as undeliverable. Bercoff had also changed his address on several occasions and for the last four and a half years had no idea of the whereabouts of his sweet-heart.

During the last three years fortune had been kind to Bercoff, and he is now a prosperous farmer in the Peace River district. A week ago he thought he had earned a holiday and decided to spend a few days with friends at South Edmonton.

Having no particular business on hand, Bercoff walked down to the depot to watch the arrival of the train from the east. Among the immigrants was a girl whose face seemed familiar to him, and as she appeared undecided as to where she would go, Bercoff had an opportunity of studying her more closely. Finally the girl asked one of the policemen on duty for directions as to how to find the immigration hall, and by her voice Bercoff recognised his lost sweetheart.

After a sentimental scene on the platform, mutual exclamations were exchanged and Bercoff learned that the girl had met with considerable misfortune in England, and had decided to emigrate to the West. The incident will have the conventional ending beloved of the romantic novelist.

NOTICE

The Committee in charge of the Empress Celebration are open to receive applications for licence from any persons who may be desirous of running a booth for the selling of confectionery, fruits, etc., also for sport booths on the Celebration Grounds, July 1st. Licence fee \$10. Applicants for licences must specify what business they intend to run. Applications should be addressed to Sec. Treas. Board of Trade to Sports Committee, Empress, Alberta.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

LESSON IX.—SECOND QUARTER,
FOR JUNE 1, 1913

Text of the Lesson, Gen. xlvii, 4-17.
Memory Verses, 6, 17—Golden Text
Jas. v, 16—Commentary Prepared
by Rev. D. M. Stearns.

Inasmuch a Judah, the surety bro-
ther, plays a prominent part in to-day's
lesson, it may be helpful to re-
call some of the incidents of chapter
xxxviii and of that day when he was
disposed of their brother Joseph, a
ad seventeen years old and of whom
they had seemingly, heard nothing all
thirty years since.

They hated him because of his
dreams in which his future pre-
eminence was foreshadowed, but now,
after those many years, his dreams
were being fulfilled and their guilt is
long remembered.

In last week's lesson we saw them
all happy in his presence, but it was
because of their surroundings, the
honor conferred upon them and be-

When they knew him not, he had compassion for them, but because they were not yet in a condition to receive or appreciate it. There must first be a conviction of sin, and the deepening of the heart towards Jesus Christ as their Saviour, because they do not know themselves as sinners, and therefore do not have sinners to seek and save to the lost.

He came not to save those who are righteous in their own estimation. He came to save sinners, and when he told any one to keep the commandments it was that by bringing them to the knowledge of their holiness he might convict them of sin. (Rom. 10, 19). When He told the rich young man who thought that he had kept all the commandments that he must give up his wealth, He was showing him that he was breaking the very commandment having another god, even his wealth.

The publican who with downcast eyes cried, God be merciful unto me, for I am a sinner, was a man whose tears were sufficient to wash

the Saviour's feet were quickly forgiven. All God's dealings with the repentant are intended to convict of sin and lead to repentance. We see this in Job xxiii, 23-30, where we read that all the dealings of God with men which are mentioned in that chapter are intended to turn men from death to life, from darkness to light. So also we gather from Rev. ix, 21, xvi, 9, that the fearful judgments of the day of the Lord's wrath after the tribulation shall not be taken away. We will be intended to lead, if possible, to repentance.

In the light of these truths we may better understand Joseph's seemingly harsh dealings with his brethren and

His object in centering the matter upon Benjamin, his own peculiar brother, the son of his mother. Nothing is said of his being the first-born of Benjamin. It is so now, and has always been so, that the seemingly most severe of God's dealings are all in love and the only way to reach hardened hearts. If it works as God desires and there comes deep conviction and real penitence all is well. If not, the Lord will be proved true and his people will be proved. He will harden his neck, but shall suddenly be destroyed, and that without remedy. (Prov. xxix, 1). See Joseph's kindness in giving them all the corn they could carry and in restoring every man his money (verse 1). The sil-

When they were overaken the next morning, they found each man's sack full for the missing cup. Although each man's money was in his sack's mouth, they do not seem to have noticed that in their eagerness to show responsibility of a crime, they were showing silver or gold from one who had been so kind to them (verses 8, 9). The search continued from the eldest to the youngest. And the cup was found in the youngest man's sack. They rent their clothes and returned to the city and to the house of Joseph, for he was still there, and they fell

fore him on the ground (verses 13, 14). Thus for the third time they fulfilled the dream for which they had hated their brother (xiii, 6; xiii, 26, 28).

Yet to this very day there are many who hate the predictions concerning the return of Christ in His glory and laugh at those who believe such things. But the word stands concerning His return and His kingdom, that to Him every knee shall bow (Ps. xxiii, 11; Isa. xlv, 23; Phil. ii, 10, 11), and we are absolutely certain that so it shall be, for the Bible is a book of certainties (Prov. xxii, 21; Luke i,

Now, indeed, they are in sore trouble, and Judah, the surety, exclaims: What shall we say? What shall we speak? How shall we clear ourselves? God hath found out the iniquity of the servants (verse 16). Of what is he thinking? The cup in

Benjamin's sack or the iniquity of twenty years before? Judging from his plea for Benjamin in verses 18-24, his reference to his father and Benjamin, the child of his old age, and his brother, referred to as dead (verse 20), and also his father's agonizing words when the blood stained coat was brought to him. Surely he is torn in pieces (verse 28). It seems as if the conviction of the sin against his brother was now real enough to

Will Satisfy Japan
Washington.—Administration officials declared recently that before the California anti-Allen Bill becomes effective in August the Government would either have arrived at a complete understanding with Japan or steps would be taken to test the validity of the law in the courts.

King Peter Holding On
Servia.—The Servian Premier has sent a message to the Servian consul, N. S. Petrovitch, stating that the reports of the intended abdication of King Peter are without foundation.



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A. HANKIN, Editor.

FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 1913

An Open Letter

YOU AND I

We, who are resident here at this present time must not forget the position in which we are standing. We, you and I, with our other brothers in business who are gathered here are the pioneers on what—popular opinion is agreed—is the presumed site of one of the largest cities to be in this great Dominion—the City of Empress.

For the last two or three years the location where we now are has been pointed out by different persons, one to the other. "There, friend, at the forks of those two big rivers, the Red Deer and Saskatchewan, that is where Canada will give birth to one of the fastest growing and greatest cities the world has ever seen grow in this great Dominion."

This being the case, then what is more natural that interest has accordingly increased, until at the present time the eyes of virtually the whole of Canada, as well as those in other countries, are directed this way, waiting for the birth of this city to be and that the name of Empress is rapidly becoming a household word.

But, why the cause for this great interest in Empress, why Empress more than any other town or city, is she worthy of the excitement she is creating. Unfold your map, if you have one handy, then find the Forks of the Red Deer, and get a location about four mile distant, west, in those two rivers, look at the vast territory that has been without railway communication during past years. Now imagine to yourself a number of railway lines (six or more in number) coming from the various big mercantile centres traversing this great country, having as their hub the spot you have already mapped out.

Next imagine yourself in this location near the Red Deer River on the second bench of a series of three, and one gazes around the beauty of the view unfolds itself, and the eye wanders from the topmost bench down to the river edge the banks of whose winding course is fringed with brush, wandering from the first bench up to the second, then on to the third, the thought flashes rapidly through the mind, "What a magnificent site for a city, what splendid natural drainage is offered here. For sure this must be the site for a city."

Now let us turn up. The hub of a number of railway lines already under construction, with more likely to follow, a magnificent geographical position as a distributing point, a site second to none for a city as re-

gards drainage, etc., with plentiful water supply and the high probability that gas will be struck when drilled for, then include the natural beauty which is in evidence all around and one begins to dimly recognize the vast possibilities that may be in store for Empress as a city.

And it is you and I, and our other brothers in business whom providence has designated as being among the pioneers of this city. In our hands lies the possibility of accomplishing much. We can make or mar to a big extent. United we can do much for ourselves and for the good and welfare of Empress; divided, we accomplish little doing harm to ourselves and to Empress. Therefore let us work in unison together, for the benefit of us all, not one man alone. This is where our responsibility lies.

Profit in Ducks

Duck raising is perhaps the most successful and easiest branch of the poultry business, giving quick returns for the time and money expended. An experienced farmer states that ducks are the strongest and hardiest of fowls hatched in incubators. Nearly every egg hatches. The young birds are vigorous and the old ones never have such troubles as crop or parasitic diseases. Their oily feathers protect them from lice and they thrive on cheap food. For market purposes the Pekins are favored, but as egg layers the Indian runners are unsurpassed.

It Was A Draw

On a bench in a city park two tramps sat in the sun and blamed national, state and municipal administrations for everything to which blame could be attached. They were strangers, but because of the fellowship which exists among their kind exchanged views freely.

"Well," said the first, "I have not always been a tramp. I used to be a printer." "Is that so?" queried the second. "Why I used to be a proof reader."

The policeman who separated them said it was the worst fight he ever saw.

It is expected that Coughy Bros. who have a big camp on the other side of the river, employing a matter of eighty head of horse in their work, will have finished their work on that side of the Saskatchewan inside of five or six weeks from now. The camp will then move to this side of the river and start on grading work to be done here.

Millet is a good crop to use as catch crop in many parts of the West. It must, however, be sown on well prepared and clean soil. It would not be advisable to sow it after June 15.

BASEBALL

First Game Played By An Empress Ball Team Ends In Defeat

The first baseball match played between a team representing Empress and a team from Lealand took place on Saturday last. The game ended in a bad defeat being administered to the local team.

The game which started at about 4 o'clock in the afternoon proved very interesting up to the sixth innings, when the score read 2-1 in favor of Lealand.

In the seventh innings the local team did good work and knocked the runs up so that the score then read 3-2 in favor of Empress.

Lealand next took their stand in the box. This saw the rout of the Empress. Some good catches came the way of the third baseman and shortstop and some bad fielding began to take place in this part of the field. Then a bad throw by the pitcher to first base instead of the home plate, let in a score of three runs completed the rout, and thereafter the game lost all interest from the spectators point of view, the local team never recovering. The game was called to a close in the ninth innings, the Midgets having by this time secured a long lead.

The following are the names of the teams which did duty:

LEALAND MIDGETS	
J. McNichol	S. Staples
J. Muza	W. A. Cowan
R. McDonald	D. Rodgers
P. McNichol	N. McAulay
E. Webster	

EMPRESS

Stokes	A. Simmons
A. A. May	R. E. Mundell
D. McCulloch	Carlton
B. Crawford	G. Carter
R. N. Langs	

Much can be said in excuse of the team which did duty for the city. They had not played together before in a match and one or two of the team had had very little experience at baseball. This explains away the breakdown. Spoken to after the game the locals are of the opinion that they can give the Midgets a much better game.

and would like to have another tussle with them before the 1st of next month.

The Midgets all played a good game except for one or two breaks and not much can be said about them under the circumstances. Lealand are due to play a game with Range 4 tomorrow on the latter's ground. The last match between these two teams witnessed some high but very close scoring.

Board Of Trade Meeting

A General Meeting of the Empress Board of Trade took place on Monday, June 2. President in the chair.

Hankin, Peters.—That the minutes of last meeting be adopted as read. Car.

D. E. Ogletree, Haggins.—That the envelope submitted by Mr. Hankin to the Board of Trade be adopted. Car.

Brown, Peters.—That the Sec. write for by-laws re Board of Trade. Car.

Brown, Storey.—That the Sec. write Mr. Fingle re Ferry across Saskatchewan, asking him to interview Minister of Public Works. Car.

Watt, Baer.—That we have a Celebration in Empress on July 1. Car.

Storey, May.—That we have a Finance Committee, Sports Committee, and an Advertising Committee. Car.

May, Brown.—That Messrs: Storey, Read and Mundell be the finance committee for Sports Day. Car.

Haggins, Storey.—That Messrs. Brown, May and Ogletree be a committee to look after Sports. Car.

May, Schiltz.—That Messrs. Haggins, D. E. Ogletree and Hankin, be a committee to look after the advertising. Car.

Brown, May.—That Messrs. Schiltz, Watt and Handley be a Dance Committee. Car.

Storey, Watt.—That Mr. Secoville be appointed chairman of all committees. Car.

Hankin, Handley.—That each side of the town dig their own wells if they wish. Car.

Ogletree, Schiltz.—That the Board adjourn to meet June 18th. Car.

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Jumping

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OVER

Events 30 Events

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on hand. Before purchasing elsewhere it will pay you to call and look us up

E. J. LACY, mgr.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

Follow the crowd—July 1st. Mr. D. Watt left for Kinderhook on Tuesday last.

Mr. Englebrecht and Mr. Street paid a visit to the Hat this week.

Mr. Boyd, and family, are expected to arrive in town in a short time now, from Weyburn, Sask.

Mr. N. D. Storey is building a large warehouse for hardware, furniture, etc.

Mr. F. Ogletree and wife, paid a visit to Alaska, returning on Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. C. Atkinson purchased Mr. Fud Goodrich's horse this week.

Miss Schiltz is visiting her brother Mr. J. M. Schiltz for a few days.

Get your Lumber and Building material from the Empress Lumber and Artificial Stone Co. Wm. Englebrecht, manager.

Messrs. Dargi and McArthur are doing with the times, and are now running their ferry by cable.

The late rains have no doubt been of much benefit to the surrounding country as well as to the gardens in town.

Services are held every Sunday in Empress on the west side of the town. You are invited to attend. Afternoon service at 3 p.m. C. Atkinson, pastor.

Mr. Haggins left for a trip to Medicine Hat on Tuesday of this week. He was accompanied on his return by his wife who will take up residence with him here.

Mrs. McDonald, accompanied by her daughter arrived in town last night. They intend to spend their holidays here.

Mr. Dutton was through the grading camps, on Tuesday of this week, making the first payment on the work that has up to the present been accomplished by the different camps.

Religious service is held every Sunday, at 2:30 p.m., by the Rev. Washington, at the home of Mr. W. Bowles, sec. 36, 23, 29. Everybody Welcome.

The Empress Lumber and Artificial Stone Co. are now taking orders for Cement Building material. Get your orders in early for Full delivery.

Messrs. N. D. Storey, May, R. E. Mundell, J. Anderson, and F. Handley made a trip to Alaska on Sunday by auto, returning Monday noon.

Notice—To ensure change of copy advertisers should have changes in before 12 o'clock on Tuesday. Any communications or changes of ads. can be safely left at the office of Mr. M. L. Haggins, Real Estate Office.

The caterpillar engine that is being used by the McDonald Grading Camp, in their work for repairs this week. There is an urgent need for men and teams and the work is being rushed on as fast as possible.

Messrs. Simmons, Franklin, and Hankin were visitors to the camp of Mr. G. Bryson on Sunday last. The visitors were entertained in the best of fashion. They were much struck by the cleanliness and comfort of the camp. Good progress with the grade seems to have been made here.

A petition was taken around on Monday throughout the east side of the town, praying that a licence be granted to the proprietors of the Hotel Empress for the selling of alcoholic liquors. We understand that the petitioners were successful in securing quite a number of signatures to their petition and were well pleased with the support that they received in this way.

Mr. Leonard and wife have arrived in town. Mr. Leonard intends to open up a barber shop and restaurant.

Mr. M. L. Haggins is building a garage and expects to put in a supply stock for automobile repairs, etc.

A large party of visitors are expected to-morrow from Alaska. According to information received the visitors will do the journey here by automobile ferching their own provisions with them and tents for camping out.

The camels with the seven day thirst storage capacity are liable to be put out of commission. Aeroplanes are now being used to cross the Sahara Desert, and the hump-backed dual stomachers transports are no longer a necessity in crossing the hot sands.

We wish to draw the attention of those who read this paper to the fact that we are aiming to make the paper as much as possible a district paper, we therefore wish to solicit correspondence from any person who may be in a position to do this for us. We will do our utmost to help correspondents in every possible way.

The opening of the Hotel Empress which was announced for the 15th of this month has had to be postponed to a later date owing to non-arrival of furniture. However, every effort is being put forward by the proprietors to get into business shape as speedily as possible and they expect to be at the service of the public by the 20th of this month.

Empress, like all other places, that become well-known at all is attracting the "undesirable" as well as the desirable citizen. This matter was brought up at the Board of Trade Meeting held on Monday last, and that the adoption of stringent measures to expel these persons be once set in motion was strongly voiced. It was pointed out that allowing these outsiders to go unregarded would do the town a lot of harm.

A dollar saved is a dollar earned. Learn economy—wisdom. Watch the store ads. in each week's Express.

Nature Marks A Grave

It is seldom perhaps that nature erects a monument to a persons memory, yet in a small country cemetery a few miles east of Nashville, Ind., Brown county, may be found an object bearing that distinction.

More than seventy-five years ago, a man named Allcorn became a resident of Brown county, and for several years lived near Salt Creek, in the eastern part of the county.

While residing here Allcorn met with an accident which resulted in his death and he was buried in the cemetery near his home.

The coffin was hewed out of a part of a poplar tree and made in two sections. A few years later a small sprout began to shoot from a crude coffin and not long afterwards a small poplar tree began to spread its branches over the grave.

Within a few years it had grown to large proportions and during the long period since it first appeared above the ground the tiny poplar "sprout" has grown into a tree that measures seven feet in circumference and towers above all others in the vicinity.

Its branches spread far out in all directions and many people who pass near by are attracted by the towering poplar, though unfamiliar with its history.

"You haven't found your bulldog yet, I hear?" asked Wilkins of his neighbor Simson. "No," answered Simson ruefully. "Well, have you advertised?" asked Wilkins. "What's the use?" said Simson; "the dog can't read."

Business Directory

The following is a list of the business men operating in Empress whose ads. appear in this issue:

Automobiles: M. L. Haggins, agent Ford Automobiles, J. M. Schiltz, automobile livery.

Blacksmith: S. Johnson.

Banks: Union Bank of Canada.

Builders and Contractors: Simmons & Handley; D. Watt; E. Allen.

Carriage Builders: Simmons & Handley.

Drug Store, etc.: Geo. L. Brown.

Grocery Stores: Cole & Belfie; Congress Trading Co.; Globe Store.

Hardware Stores: Empress Hardware, N. D. Storey, Ogletree Bros, Peters & Malton.

Harness and Implements: Baer, Lundy & Carter.

Newspaper and Printing: Empress Express.

Real Estate: M. L. Haggins, J. M. Schiltz.

Restaurant: King George Restaurant.

Undertaker: M. C. Baer.

Hotel Empress in course of construction.

UNION BANK

OF CANADA

Paid up Capital, Reserve Fund and Undivided Profits, over \$8,375,000

Total Assets, over \$69,000,000

Has a total of over 105 Branches in the three prairie provinces alone, the head office is now in Winnipeg. Affords an exceptional banking service for the Western business men, farmers and ranchers and everyone else who earns and handles money.

EMPRESS BRANCH R. E. MUNDELL, Mgr. Office next door to the Globe Store

Our Stock Has Arrived!

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Friday, June 20th

Ogletree Bros.

HARDWARE

OILS

PAINTS

Congress Trading Co.

"THE STORE OF BETTER THINGS"

Good health!

Is one of the most valued possessions of mankind. The freshness of the food that you eat is an important factor as regards keeping the body in healthful condition, and too much attention cannot be paid to this matter

Our Groceries are Fresh

The amount of Groceries that we sell enables us to keep a Fresh Stock - always on hand. It will pay you to call and inspect our stock. You will find both Quality and Prices right.

Congress Trading Co.

Empress, Alta.